A Bit of History if Company F, 16th Regiment Vermont Volunteer Infantry

The Town of Dover recently restored a Civil War Military Register, listing the members of Company F, 16th VT Regiment, which includes residents from the Dover area who fought with this regiment. The original document is now framed under glass and stored in our vault. We have reproduced it to an 11x17 poster which is available for purchase. Currently, it can be viewed at the Town Office.

A bit of history of Company F, 16th Regiment Vermont Volunteer Infantry

The 16th Regiment, Vermont Volunteer Infantry (or 16th VVI) was a nine months' infantry regiment in the Union Army during the American Civil War.

It served in the eastern theater, predominantly in the Defenses of Washington, from October 1862 to August 1863. It was a member of the 2nd Vermont Brigade.

The 16th Vermont Infantry, a nine months regiment, was raised as a result of President Abraham Lincoln's call on August 4, 1862, for additional troops due to the disastrous results of the Peninsula Campaign.

It was recruited in Windsor and Windham Counties, the two southernmost counties in the state, and company F. was organized in Wilmington on September 3, 1862, recruited by Henry F. Dix.

The regiment rendezvoused at Brattleboro on October 9, and was mustered into the United States service on October 23, with 949 officers and men. They left Brattleboro on October 24, and arrived in Washington, D.C. on the morning of October 27, going into camp near the other four regiments that were then formed into the 2nd Vermont Brigade.

Major engagements:

Fairfax Court House, January 1863

Union Mills, March-June 1863

Bristoe Station--June 1863

Gettysburg--July 1863

Pursuit of Lee--July 1863

Mustered out August 10, 1863

Regiment lost during service 1 Officer and 23 Enlisted men killed and mortally wounded and 1 Officer and 48 Enlisted men by disease. Total 73.